Supply of Coal to fake Companies

2501. SHRI MURTYUNJAYA NAYAK: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn towards the alleged supply of coal to fake companies:

(b) if so, whether any inquiry has been conducted in this regard;

(c) if so the action taken against the concerned officers; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S.B NYAMAGOUDA): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House

[*English*]

Performance of units providing infrastructure facilities

2503. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the performance of the units providing infrastructural facilities has been poor during 1990 and 1991;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the sectors where the performance has been poor; and

(d) the steps being taken to improve their performance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R.BHARDWAJ): (a) and (c). The Department of Programme Implementation monitors the performance of 9 infrastructure sectors namely, Power, Coal, Steel, Railways, Telecommunications, Fertilizers, Cement, Petroleum and Shipping & Ports with reference to targets for the financial year. The enclosed statements -I & II give details of the performance of the 9 infrastructure sectors for the period April'90-March91 and April'91-Jan '92 The performance of all the sectors except Petroleum and Telecommunications has been significantly higher over the comparable previous periods, though the same has fallen short of targets in most cases.

(b) The petroleum production was adversely affected due to a high Gas to Oil Ratio in Bombay High wells, water cut in the Gujarat section, disturbed conditions in Assam and Strike by the ONGC officers. The Tele-instruments production was affected due to low capacity utilisation in public sector units and paucity of orders from the Deptt. of Telecommunications

(d) The performance of industrial infrastructure sectors is periodically reviewed at the MOS (PI)'s level to sort out operational problems. The Administrative Ministeries initiate action to tide over the bottlenecks.

The Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure under the Chairmanship of the Finance Minister has been constituted to, *inter-alia*, consider problems of infrastructure and give appropriate directions